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Attn: Lisa Schicker, President Los Osos Community Services District

Morro Bay is one of twenty eight Water Bodies designated by the USEPA as a National Estuary. Septic Tanks in Los Osos California have been polluting groundwater and Morro Bay for decades.

The Los Osos Community Services District is the agency responsible for bringing an end to the pollution.

The Los Osos Community Services District does not appear to be living up to its responsibilities because it is:

Violating a Time Schedule Order of the Central Coast Regional Water Board
Violating a Prohibition of Discharge of the Central Coast Regional Water Board
Obstructing compliance with a Clean Water Act clean up plan (TMDL) for Morro Bay
Engaged in committing the first default in the history of the State and Federal Revolving Loan Program
Taking actions which expose the Community to over \$14,000,000 in Administrative Civil Liabilities.

In order to protect the environmental well being of the National Estuary, the groundwater of the state, and the economic well being of the Community, the Los Osos Community services District should take all actions necessary to comply with requirements of the Clean Water Act, the California Water Code, and orders of the Central Coast Water Board and the State Water Board.

In the event the Community Services District fails to comply with the water quality law and policy of the state and nation, the Central Coast Water Board, the State Water Board, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency should immediately take enforcement action against the District under the progressive enforcement policy of the State of California.

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